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Serial No.: 10/629,412
Filed: July 29, 2003
For: ROCK SAW

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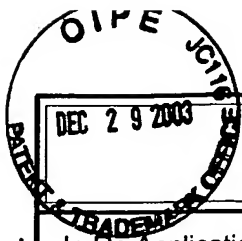
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ROCK SAW

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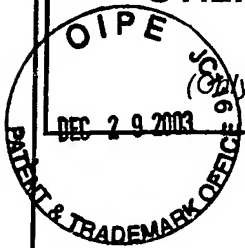
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